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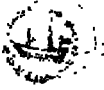
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VERIFIED STATEMENT

of

RAYMOND S. BURTON

As an elected constitutional officer of the State of New Hampshire, I have served on the Executive Council for thirty-four years. The Executive Council address is 107 North Main Street/State House Room 207/Concord, NH 03301.

I understand there is a proposed acquisition of RailAmerica by Genesee & Wyoming Inc. I am writing to offer strong support of this transaction.

Genesee & Wyoming Inc. is a great partner in our regional freight transportation network. It has a strong history of buying other short line railroads, investing in them, and developing long term growth opportunities. This in turn helps maintain and grow industrial sector jobs in our state.

I have been very impressed with the strong focus of safety at Genesee & Wyoming. It is an industry leader in rail safety, and this is a direct reflection on its commitment to provide superior service to the communities along the rail lines it travels.

For these reasons, I strongly support this proposal, and ask for expedited review and approval by the Surface Transportation Board.

I, Raymond S. Burton, declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the United States, that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this verified statement.

Raymond S. Burton Executive Councilor, District One

State of New Hampshire

Date: July 27, 2012

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